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RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated October 31, 2002, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

In the Claims

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Please cancel claim 33 without prejudice to its reentry at some later date:

Please amend claim 31 as follows:

31. (Amended) An article for fabricating large liquid crystal displays comprising a flat cover plate and flat back plate bonded together wherein one of the plates has a smaller surface area than that of the other of the plates; and wherein the flat plates are glass;

said plates are bonded together by an adhesive located between said plates over

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